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Chief Justice George Speaks Today at Mariposa Superior Court Ceremony

Court First to Complete Trial Court Facilities Act

San Francisco—Chief Justice Ronald M. George will be a keynote speaker at a historic ceremony starting at 11:30 a.m. today, June 27, at the Superior Court of Mariposa County at 10th and Bullion streets, Mariposa.

The ceremony will celebrate the fact that the Superior Court of Mariposa County is the first trial court in the state to complete all provisions of the state Trial Court Facilities Act of 2002.

Under the agreement to be signed today, Mariposa County will continue to own the courthouse, a historic building, and the court will have the right to use the space until they are relocated to a new courthouse. The county will remain responsible for all courthouse maintenance.

"Mariposa is a fitting county in which to mark the adoption of the first comprehensive response to the Trial Court Facilities Act of 2002," the Chief Justice said. "Its territory once extended to the Los Angeles area and included many of the counties to the east, west and south of its present borders. Its courthouse is the oldest continually-used courthouse in California — and it is fitting that we celebrate the courthouse's historical significance and its continuing role in the life of Mariposa County at the same time that we look ahead to the future."

More information on the Trial Court Facilities Act is available at http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/reference/documents/factsheets/factrans.pdf .

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